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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION NEW DELHI FROM MADRAS MARCH 22, 1977

REPEATED FOR YOU

QUOTE

MADRAS 0483

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ENRG, IN

SUBJECT: ASAMERA OIL DRILLING IN THE GULF OF MANNAR TO

BE DELAYED

1. AS MENTIONED IN OUR MEMCON OF MARCH 15, THE DRILLING SHIP GLOMAR IV WAS ENROUTE FROM SINGAPORE TO THE NORTHERN PART OF THE GULF OF MANNAR TO BEGIN EXPLORATORY DRILLING FOR ASAMERA. DRILLING WAS TO START ON MARCH 30.

2. THE ASAMERA GENERAL REPRESENTATIVE INFORMED US YESTERDAY THAT A SERIOUS FIRE BROKE OUT ON THE GLOMAR THREE DAYS OUT OF PORT AND THE SHIP IS NOW RETURNING TO SINGAPORE. HE DOES NOT HAVE ANY DETAILS ON THE EXTENT OF THE DAMAGE. IF GLOMAR NEEDS EXTENSIVE REPAIRS, A DIFFERENT SHIP WILL BE LEASED OF WHICH THERE ARE SEVERAL AVAILABLE IN SINGAPORE. WE WILL FOLLOW THIS AND KEEP YOU INFORMED. SIGNED MCCASKILL

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